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In re Application of: Richard J. Terrien *et al.*
Serial No.: 09/812,765 Group No.: 1724
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Entitled: **Manually Controlled Skimming Of Industrial Oil Contaminants**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED MAY 6, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The following communication is responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 6, 2003, setting a 30 day shortened statutory period which ends after June 5, 2003. This Response is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time in which to respond of one month and the fees, is therefore timely filed; thus, no further fees are believed to be due with this Response. However, if necessary, please charge any additional fees due, including any fees necessary for extensions of time, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. **08-1290**.

The Applicants respectfully request consideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

The amendments are presented in the revised format of amendments as published in the Official Gazette on February 25, 2003. This format is essentially the same as the amendment

format that the Office is considering adopting via a revision to 37 CFR 1.121. A clean version of the entire set of pending claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(3) as they would appear following entry of this amendment is attached as Appendix I.